

**MINUTES OF THE  
JOINT CAPITAL FACILITIES & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES  
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2001, 2:00 P.M.  
Room 131, State Capitol Building**

Members Present: Sen. Beverly Evans, Committee Co-Chair  
Rep. Gerry A. Adair, Committee Co-Chair  
Sen. Mike Dmitrich  
Rep. Roger Barrus  
Rep. DeMar "Bud" Bowman  
Rep. David Clark  
Rep. Brent H. Goodfellow  
Rep. Loraine T. Pace

Members Absent: Sen. John Valentine  
Rep. Jeff Alexander  
Rep. Ralph Becker  
Rep. Greg J. Curtis  
Rep. Kevin S. Garn  
Rep. Ty McCartney

Staff Present: Kevin Walthers, Fiscal Analyst  
Jonathan Ball, Fiscal Analyst  
Bonnie Brinton, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present: Mark Payne, Division of Mental Health, Utah State Hospital  
Ms. Bonnie H. Stephens, Director, Utah Arts Council  
Mr. Jim Glenn, Director of Public Art  
Gen. Larry Lunt, Commander of the Utah Air National Guard  
Col. Peter Wilson, Utah Air National Guard  
Mr. Richard Jones, Superintendent, Uintah Basin Applied  
Technology Center, Vernal Branch Campus  
Mr. Lloyd Swain, Uintah County Commissioner  
Mr. Brent Wallis, Superintendent, Ogden-Weber Applied  
Technology Center  
Mr. Courtland Nelson, Division Director, Department of Natural  
Resources  
Mr. Gary Thorson, Department of Natural Resources  
Mr. Bill Crimmit, Mayor of Vernal  
Mr. Ken Bassett, Vernal City Manager  
Mr. William E. Juszczak, UDOT  
Mr. Kent Winn, Director, Alcoholic Beverage Control  
Mr. Dennis Kellen, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control

Ms. Rosemarie Carter, Department of Workforce Services  
Mr. John P. Misel, Department of Workforce Services  
Rep. Ben C. Ferry  
Mr. Ken Nye, Department of Administrative Services  
Mr. David Hart, Capitol Preservation Board  
Sen. Pete Suazo  
Ms. Donna Dahl, Executive Director, Fair Park Board

List of others present on file.

Co-Chairman Beverly Evans called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

### **Utah State Hospital**

Mr. Mark Payne, Division of Mental Health, Utah State Hospital, presented information on the progress and improvement of the Utah State Hospital and discussed the Rampton Phase I, the Forensic building, and the campus changes being made. He thanked the Committee for its attention to the mentally ill.

Kevin Walthers, Analyst, referred to his Memo to the Committee Chairs setting the stage for committee action regarding facilities. He questioned the need for specific funding to come to a final total price and stated his belief that once the budget is established DFCM should be able to work within that budget to provide the best value for the project. Finally, he continued to recommend the elimination of one percent for the arts.

### **1. Utah Arts Council**

Ms. Bonnie H. Stephens, Director, Utah Arts Council, spoke in favor of funding for art in buildings. She stated that donations to the Arts Council are accepted, but there is very little donated. Mr. Jim Glenn, Director of Public Art, assisted in the presentation.

Rep. Pace addressed the challenges of the Committee. She stressed that no decisions have been made yet. She asked that everyone work together to solve backlog problems with buildings and understand the desire of the Committee to comply with the wishes of the public.

### **2. National Guard**

Gen. Larry Lunt, Commander of the Utah Air National Guard and Col. Peter Wilson presented a three minute video depicting the federal and state mission of the National

Guard. Gen. Lunt spoke in favor of funding for the Vernal Readiness Center. He stated that due to the age of the building and several shortfalls in military budgets, the Utah National Guard has been unable to maintain it at required levels. A DFCM survey conducted in January 2001 indicated that the cost to bring the current Vernal facility to standard is \$407,740. An addition of nearly 13,000 square feet is required to meet the current operation requirements.

This request is for a joint use facility. The Utah National Guard and the Uintah Basin Applied Technology Center plan to form a partnership that will serve the community and the National Guard's mission.

### **3. Public Education**

#### **a. Uintah Basin Applied Technology Center**

Mr. Richard Jones, Superintendent, Uintah Basin Applied Technology Center, Vernal Branch Campus, distributed information regarding this project. This project has completed the necessary DFCM planning process and is the #1 priority project of the Utah State Office of Education. The request includes \$3,400,000 for a classroom building; \$50,000 for planning for integration with the Readiness Center; and \$185,000 for the land purchases and \$50,000 for plans with the Readiness Center.

Mr. Lloyd Swain, Uintah County Commissioner, assisted with the presentation and expressed the desire of the County to operate successfully with the National Guard. Partnership contributions and pledges to date include \$100,000 from Uintah County with annual scholarship funds for \$92,000; and \$785,000 from the Uintah County School District. The critical need now is the \$185,000 for the land purchases and the \$50,000 for plans with the Readiness Center. The UBATC currently has commitments for or has received more than \$1,000,000 in land, money and contributed labor from various sources for this project.

#### **b. Ogden-Weber Applied Technology Center**

Kevin Walthers, Analyst, recommends the Legislature appropriate \$364,000 to purchase the four acres adjacent to the Ogden Weber ATC campus.

Mr. Brent Wallis, Superintendent, Ogden-Weber Applied Technology Center, presented information regarding the land purchase request. This land would provide future growth space for community training programs. OWATC obtained a fair appraisal for the property.

Rep. Adair stated that the value of the land is increasing adjacent to the ATC in Ogden and that it would be prudent to purchase this land as soon as possible.

**4. Natural Resources**

Kevin Walthers, Analyst, informed committee members that one of the top priorities for the Department of Natural Resources is to upgrade the natural history museum operated by the Division of Parks and Recreation in Vernal. He recommends State funding of \$5,741,000 to replace the Utah Museum of Natural History in Vernal.

Mr. Courtland Nelson, Division Director, Department of Natural Resources and Mr. Gary Thorson, presented information regarding the valuable artifacts collected by researchers at the Utah Field House of Natural History. The display areas are severely lacking and pose a constant threat to artifacts and employees.

Mr. Bill Crimmit, Mayor of Vernal; and Mr. Ken Bassett, Vernal City Manager, expressed support for the budget submitted by DFCM and DNR.

Rep. Adair was excused.

**5. Transportation**

Kevin Walthers, Analyst, presented budget recommendations for the Utah Department of Transportation. UDOT is requesting Transportation Funds for three facilities: the replacement of a warehouse in Richfield and an expansion of the Roosevelt and Echo Maintenance Stations. Mr. Walthers stated that the Department believes it satisfied concerns expressed by the Legislature and will now have support from key stakeholders in the area. He recommends \$699,000 for this project. He also recommends remodeling for the Roosevelt Maintenance at a cost of \$300,000 and the Echo Maintenance Complex at an adjusted cost of \$400,000.

Mr. William E. Juszczak, UDOT, responded to questions from committee members.

**6. Alcoholic Beverage Control**

Kevin Walthers, Analyst, stated that his recommendation reflects an appropriation for a new store in south Salt Lake County, replacement of the Magna store and an expansion and upgrade of the warehouse. If approved, DABC will issue revenue bonds to fund construction. Sales revenue will provide a funding source to amortize the debt. To allow DABC to continue its mission, the Analyst recommends approval of revenue bonds

totaling \$10,736,000. Debt Service will be funded from Agency revenue.

Mr. Kent Winn, Director, Alcoholic Beverage Control and Mr. Dennis Kellen, Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control, responded to questions from committee members.

**7. Workforce Services**

Kevin Walthers, Analyst, clarified for committee members the need to fund an expansion of the Cedar City Employment Center. He stated that an expansion would bring all of DWS Cedar City together and would provide needed space for the Department of Health. There are Federal funds available for the purchase this year. Mr. Walthers believes that the expansion would be a great benefit to DWS in Cedar City and recommends the following intent language:

*It is the intent of the Legislature that the Department of Workforce Services shall use \$1,187,000 in Agency Funds to expand its Cedar City Offices.*

Ms. Rosemarie Carter and Mr. John P. Misel, Department of Workforce Services, responded to questions from committee members.

Rep. Bowman expressed support for the funding of this consolidation.

**8. Bridgerland/USU ATC - Rep. Ben C. Ferry**

Rep. Ferry stated that HB 128, Funding of Extension Projects and Facilities, was misnamed and that the purpose of the bill is to appropriate \$2,742,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2001-02 only, to the Division of Facilities Construction and Management for the purchase of the Box Elder County Education Center Complex and makes an ongoing appropriation of \$16,000 for operation and maintenance costs.

Mr. Ken Nye, Department of Administrative Services, explained that \$900,000 was appropriated for the ability to use the complex and the right to buy. No written agreement exists.

**9. Capitol Building Remodel**

Mr. David Hart, Capitol Preservation Board, responded to questions from committee members. Slides were shown illustrating discolored tiles and cracks in the terra cotta of the Capitol building.

Kevin Walthers, Analyst, stated that he believes that the most prudent path to take in this project is to build an extension to the Capitol that will serve as the temporary home of the Legislature during the four years of renovation. An extension to the Capitol provides an opportunity to move staff out of the Capitol Building, thus freeing space for elected officials to work and meet with their constituents. To further the work of the Capitol Preservation Board, the Analyst recommends an appropriation of \$12,491,600 in General Fund and \$28,500,000 in Olympic Special Revenue to build a Capitol extension and to retrofit the plaza to make it seismically sound.

**10. Fair Park - Sen. Suazo**

Sen. Suazo presented information on funding for the construction of a multipurpose building for the State Fair Park. The Fairpark Board plans a financing package of three elements. The first would be the issuance of \$3,852,000 of the bonds previously authorized by the 2000 Legislature. The second element would be a one-time funding of \$7,400,000 from the Legislature to fund the balance of the building. The third element would be \$1,000,000 from the Fairpark for infrastructure and landscaping of the new building.

Ms. Donna Dahl, Executive Director, Fair Park Board, assisted in the presentation and responded to questions from committee members. She stated that the Fair Park can become self sufficient by bringing in commercial tenants and events.

Sen. Evans requested a specific amount on the request for consideration for the facilities prioritization meeting on Friday.

**11. KUER Radio - Sen. Allen**

Sen. Allen has asked to defer the presentation of this item to Friday's agenda.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m. by Sen. Beverly Evans.

The minutes were reported by Bonnie Brinton